

File 22

May 20

Travis 1st Class
abt 362 -

James B Pier

25 Labors

Paid to James B Pier 781846
No 393 N.C. 3

See Old Writter within

See Barbs 1-8-

CERTIFICATE No.

According to Decree of
Court Davis-603, this survey
all of Elt Brown 2-25, Jno Stow
bridge 3-53, Jas Bracken
P-72, Glorav P-1278 all
pld, also covers most of
Jas Lloyd 2-1, a small
portion of Lamar Moore
B-8 1/2 A. M. Walker 1-63
all pld and about 3/4
of the R Vaughan till'd
sur. 10/19/97 H. C. S.

Mgl. 5989

Contents.

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and Statement
Foy 10 79
Ed Beck

A. B. Vol. P.

~~Republic of Texas
County of Austin~~

Know all Men
by these Presents: That James P. Pier, having
presented to the Board of Land Commissioners
for said County his claim for One League and
One Labor of Land, and the said Board
having investigated said claim, by the oath
of said Claimant, and the evidence of two
good and creditable witnesses in the terms
prescribed by Law. Do hereby Certify
that the said James P. Pier, is entitled to
One League and One Labor of Land, as
his Head Right; And that the said
James P. Pier immigrated to Texas
in the year eighteen hundred and thirty
four.

For which this is his Certificate.
San Felipe de Austin,

11th January, 1838.

Robt. M. Nutt
Robert Kleberg.

Board of Land Commissioners

J. W. Williams
Chairman
Board of Board

Republic of Texas
County of Austin 3d 1838 I do on my
present the right title claim and
intend to the sum expressed labor of
to John Benton Johnson or that of
his assigns for a valuable considera-
-tion as per my Deed to me of this

Date March 13 1838

Wm C

J B Pier
J B Pier

L B Johnson

I do this day March 13 1838 I do assign
the within to Richard Wilson or assigns with all its rights and
Wtys I do pay the same
Wm C. Johnson
John Benton Johnson

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Armenia Co. 1st class
Head right certificate

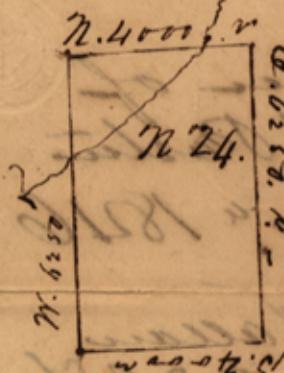
James B. Pier

File & Receipt 1st class

On One count

C. C. M. Mathews

E. Morris



Survey N. 24 of Twenty Five Sections of Land made for A.B. Pier. it being a part the quantity of land to which he is entitled by virtue of Certificate No.

N. 24 is issued by the Board of Land Commissioners for the County of Austin for the County of Austin for One League & One Labor of Land situated in the County of Granada on the West Side of the Colorado River on the Waters of Onion Creek a branch of the Colorado River flowing on the N.E. Com-

of Survey N. 23 of One League of Land at a Stake for the S.E. Corn. of Survey N. 24 from which a Postoak tree S. 20. W. 30. 200 yards distant marked +. Hence West. with the North boundary of Survey N. 23 - 4000 rods to a Creek runs N.E. 6250. rods to a Stake for the N.W. Corn. of Survey N. 24 from which a Black Jack tree N. 20. W. 11. 200 yards distant marked +. a Postoak tree N.E. 6250. rods to a stone mound for the N.E. Corn. of Survey N. 24 - Hence

South 4000 var to the place of
living Containing 25 Labors of Pasture
Sand - Survey ~~Feb.~~ Feb. 20.⁴ 1846

Right Hobot S J. W. Wallace
Robert Foster & Chimes C S C D

I William Wallace County Surveyor
for the County of Travis do solemnly declare
under the Oath of my office that the foregoing
Survey was made according to Law and
Since the 1st day of August 1838 given
under my hand in the City of Austin -

March the 3rd 1846 J. W. Wallace

C S C D

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It is to be noted that the Survey
was not made by me personally
but by Mr. J. W. Wallace
and it was not drafted or directed
by me. It was made under my
supervision and control. It was
done with great care and attention
to detail as I was over and above
above every other person to whom it
was entrusted and as I have been
with my friends and neighbors and it
is with the best of interest and care that
I have done this work.

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Travis Co 1st class
Full notes 25 Subs
J. A. T. D. Pier

Patented
Feby 46
Maples

Received Sixty dollars
in promissory notes
in full for your dues
on the within field

Notes J. West
Chas C. Coffey

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The State of Texas, Know all men by these
County of DeWitt, I, present, that I Richard H.
Chisholm of Said County do hereby nominate
Constitute and appoint John A. King of Said County
my true and lawful Attorney in fact for me and
in my name to call on the Commissioners of the Genl.
Land office at Austin for all information relative
to the following herein described land or land Cr-
tificate, and for me and in my name receive
any Certificate Duplicate or other Voucher that
I may be entitled to or any patent that may be
issued for me and in my name receipt for the
same. — And do and perform any and all legal
acts that I lawfully could do were I personally
present. Money A. Foster patent for One League
& one labor, John A. Wimble 640 acres. William
Walker 369 acres. John Pier Duplicate Certifi-
cate for One labor, John Foster Duplicate Certificate
for One labor, and the patent on the James Swindell
third of section surveyed in Gonzales M. C. creek
In witness whereof I Richard H. Chisholm
have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
Seal (using a scroll for seal) this 27th day of
December A.D. 1847 —

R. H. Chisholm *(Signature)*

The State of Texas, Personally appeared before
County of DeWitt me James W. Smith County
clerk of the said County Richard H. Chisholm
with whom I am personally acquainted and

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R. H. Chisholm
J. J. Pow. Atto.
J. A. King

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JAMES P. SIEG
— 25 Lathas —

Granted on May
Mark D. Parker F. Steele
Mar. 14
Court of Patent Office
Cross

Patented
February 16
Waples

David Ayres

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Serial 5989, M. K. R. m. R.

The State of Texas
County of Austin

To Hon. O. Wesley

Bellville
Sir

I herewith

State to you, that, during the Month of December
A. D. 1878, I have made actual Survey of
one League of Land, originally granted to Jas B.
Pier (now stated to be in Conflict with adjoining
Surveys) in the County of Hays, on the waters
of Onion- Creek, a Tributary of Colorado River,
about 17 miles S. W. from Austin City.

Whereas, the Beginning of afore-
said Jas B. Pier League of Land calls
for the N. E. corner of League No. 23 in the
name of Fielove Wooly and, whereas, in nearly
all the adjoining Surveys of said Pier League,
the original Corners and lines were changed and
Bearing destroyed, I found it necessary to
Survey the original boundaries of adjoining Surveys as
well, as those of said Pier League, so as to
ascertain the corners of said League.

There can be no doubt but,
^{now said to be}
that the adjoining surveys and covering a portion
of League No. 24 in the name of Jas B. Pier
were made — at, — on, — or near about the
same Date, as that one, of League No. 24; and
that, any Surveyor who knows his duty, should
establish corners of subsequent Surveys within the
Meets and Boundaries of Survey, made but very
few days before, is to me (as a practical Surveyor)
strange and incomprehensible.

Said Surveys were made in the following Order:

" Survey No. 22 (in the name of Seaborn J.
Whately); Survey No. 23 (in the name of
Freelove Woody); and Survey No. 24—

I state that, in all these Surveys
the oldest lines, I found, were blazed and
not hatched, while nearly all the lines of
recent Surveys were hatched and not blazed.

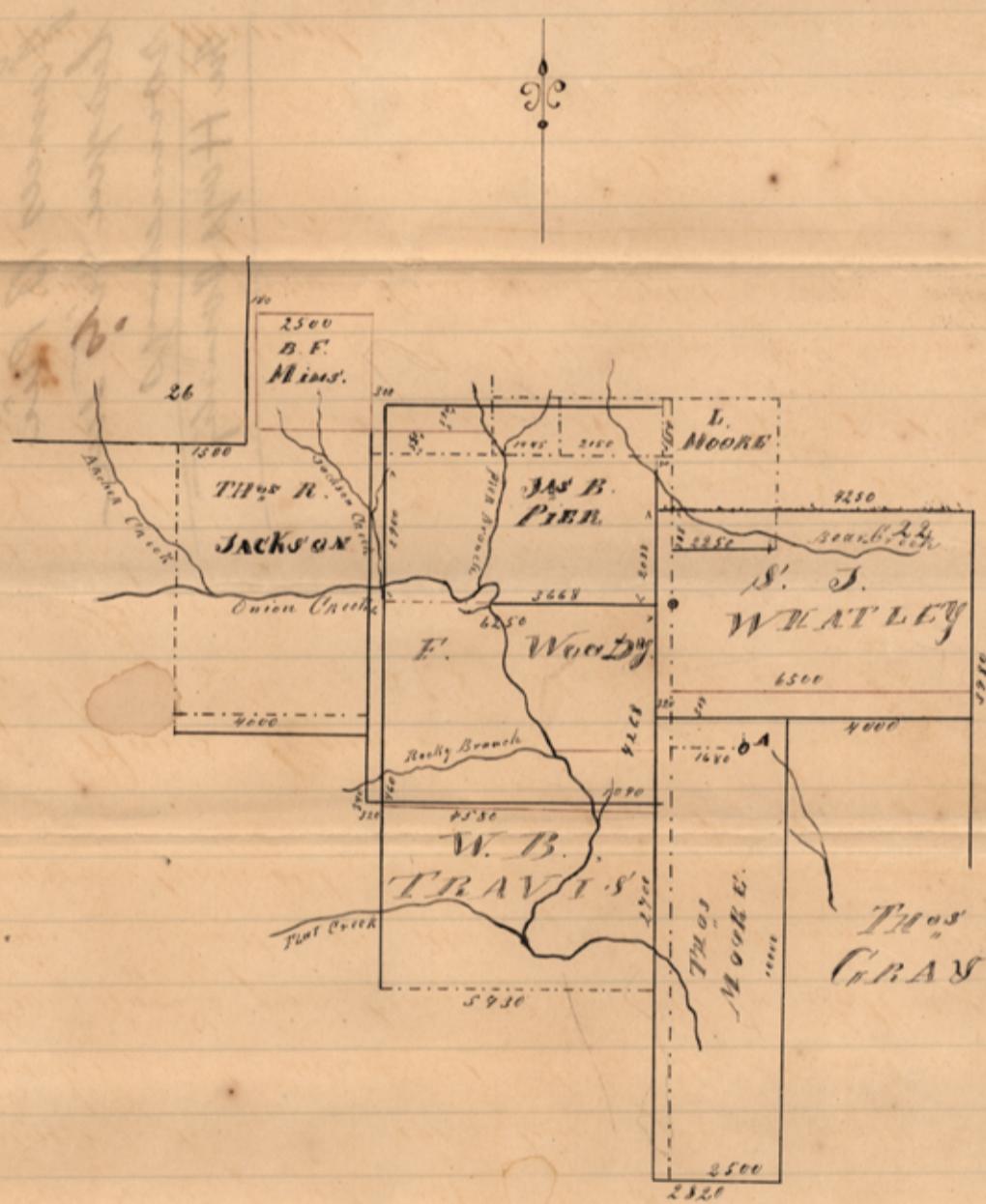
In the enclosed Sketch I have marked the
old lines, found, with old blazes with a common
block line"; the lines found marked with
hatches, and which I take to be not more
than Twenty five years old, with a dotted block
line", and the lines found not more than
Twelve years old, with a red line".

The County Surveyor
of Wayne County, in his explanation of
June 8th 1878 states that:

"Beginning at a Stone Mound a short distance
North of Wilhelm's premises, from which a
Live-Oak tree marked Δ bears N. 51° E. for
10 Yrs dist. and a do N. 8° W. 5 Yrs dist.
Post-Oak trees and Humps in this immediate
vicinity; from this point old mark'd line to
Onion Creek.—

In making my Survey
I did not find at this point anything like a
Stone Mound, but several small rocks,
scattered here as everywhere in this vicinity—
the ground being nearly covered with rocks—

The marks Δ , found on mentioned Live-Oak,
are, as far as my experience goes, not older
than about Three Years,— The other
mentioned Live-Oak is marked like other trees



A Wilhelm's premises

Report of Rock &
Weissner, Surveyor,

Of Survey of
James B. Pier
League & its sur-
roundings
In Hays County

near Wilhelm's premises.

I only found in this vicinity One Post-Oak Lump, and this does not correspond with the calls of any one of the Jas B. Pier corners.

I state, that from this last mentioned point I found a well marked line of about 12 to 15 years old running West not further than 1680 Vrs where intersecting a hatched line (running from N. to S.); following this said line South at 75 Vrs dist. found a rock mound, from which a Post-Oak mark, \times bears N. 25° E. 10 Vrs dist. — from this said mound a line running West not more than 12 years old mark, \diamond with three hatches to Onion-Creek and not further.

And again, — beginning at said point near Wilhelm's premises and running North, I only found two trees within the field with hatches all around and no other marks for a line.

I further state that I found a mound, recognized for the N. E. corner of League No. 23 in the name of Frelow-Woolly, from which a Live-Oak 10" in diam. mark, \diamond with an old blaze bears N. 50° W. 15 Vrs dist. a do. 12" in diam. mark, \diamond with same mark bears N. 33° E. 18 Vrs dist. from this point very old blazed line, at North 2038 Vrs a mound for the N. W. corner of Seaborn J. Whally's League, at 41 $\frac{1}{2}$ Vrs a point in prairie, from which an old line running W.; but found no mound at this point nearer than 200 Vrs —

And again beginning at the N. E. corner of League No. 23 and running West

with an old blazed line at 3668^{Vrs} Onion-Creek / runs S. 20 E. / at 4720^{Vrs} a gully / runs E. / about 20^{Vrs} of its junction of Onion-Creek; at 5930^{Vrs} intersecting an old line running from South to North, and passing a rock-mound bears S. 40^{Vrs} dist. — at 4250^{Vrs} a point in a very old mark'd line, from which a Live-Oak 12" in diam. marks with an old blaze bears N. 2° E. 39^{Vrs} dist. a d^r mark'd same bears N. 48° E. 25^{Vrs} dist. and 10" in diam.; both of said Live-Oaks correspond with the calls of the N. W. corner of League No^o 23.

From this point an old mark'd line North at 350^{Vrs} Onion Creek / at 10^{Vrs} wide course N. 80° E. / 2050^{Vrs} Jackson Creek 6^{Vrs} wide runs S. E. at 3650^{Vrs} a pile of rocks for the now recognised N. E. corner of League No^o 25 in the name of Thos Sr. Jackson, from which a Blackjack 7" in diam. mark'd X bears N. 82° W. 6^{Vrs} dist. a double Blackjack 8" in diam. mark'd X bears S. 57½° W. 4½^{Vrs} dist., both said trees seem to be marked last summer.

From this point a line running East and West marked last summer.

The Surveyor of League No^o 24 in his fieldnotes commenced at the N. E. corner of League No^o 23 in the name of Freelee Woody, from which a Post-Oak mark'd X bears N. 20° W. 30^{Vrs} dist. — a stump found here, corresponding with said course and distance, — but have some doubt

of being Live-Oak or Post Oak —

My impression is, that said Surveyor, instead beginning at the original and true N.E. corner of League No. 23, he commenced his survey at a point in an afore mentioned line, at 320 V.^{rs} East from said corner — Thence W. at 320 V.^{rs} passed the said N.E. corner of League No. 23 in the West boundary of League No. 22 — at 3988 V.^{rs} Union Creek — at 6250 V.^{rs} intersecting a line running from South to North — Thence N. at 2900 V.^{rs} into Jackson's branch running S. E. at 4170 V.^{rs} a point, from where a very old blazed line runs E. (at 6250 V.^{rs}) aforesaid point in prairie, and intersecting the very old blazed line running N. from the true N.E. corner of said League No. 23 —

Finding —

the original and true N.E. corner of League No. 23, same as the S. E. or beginning corner of League No. 24, — finding further the North line of League No. 23, same as the South line of League No. 24 — finding further the true N.W. corner of League No. 23, further the West - North - and East line of League No. 24, I believe this to be sufficient to establish a Survey, being made about 40 Years ago —

I am very respectfully Your
Obt. Servt.

Richd^r. Grissom
C. Surv. A. C.

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James B. Pier

Surveyor's statement
and sketch.

Filed February 10/79
Rhaadz Steiner,
Chief Clerk